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MEMORANDUM FOR: SB/CI/E/2

SUBJECT : Soviet Ukrainian Committee for Cultural
Ties with Foreign Countries

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1. According to a Project AERODYNAMIC source (usually reliable), she was told by a Ukrainian emigre, who has frequent contact with Soviet Ukrainian officials at the United Nations, that in a conversation on 8 September with Vladimir KRAVETS, (who was in charge at the Soviet Ukrainian mission during the absence of Sergey T. SHEVCHENKO), the latter told him that Kateryna KOLOSOVA [] was dismissed from the chairmanship of the Committee for Cultural Ties with Foreign Countries and replaced by one A. I. KELINA, a "KGB officer". (There are no identifiable traces on A. I. KELINA in SB/BIO or in RI.) KOLOSOVA, according to KRAVETS, was dismissed because she was too sentimental about Ukrainian emigres in her contact activities, and that most of the Ukrainian emigres with whom she had established contact also were in contact with the CIA or the FBI. Reportedly (according to KRAVETS), other individuals connected with KOLOSOVA also will be demoted. In this connection, Victor CHERNYAVSKY, Second Secretary at the Ukrainian Mission to the United Nations, will be going home soon. (Note: According to earlier information, CHERNYAVSKY, who was scheduled to return to the Soviet Union after completing his tour of duty, was told his tour would be extended for another year. In the battle between KOLOSOVA and Mykhaylo LEVISCHENKO [] for winning the confidence of Ukrainian emigres, CHERNYAVSKY seemed to be on the side of KOLOSOVA. This latter supposition is substantiated by the fact that in a contact with LEVISCHENKO at EXPO-67, the latter was piqued when a Ukrainian emigre whose confidence he tried to win, told him he could always get in touch with CHERNYAVSKY in the event of any need, rather than having to write to LEVISCHENKO, as the latter suggested he do. LEVISCHENKO assured the Ukrainian emigre that CHERNYAVSKY had no authority whatsoever.)

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